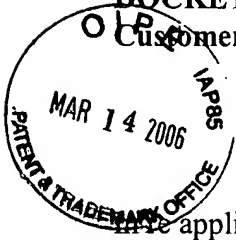


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Re application of: : David Allan Collins

Serial No. : 10/038,872

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TELECOMMUNICATION SWITCH

Group No. : 2684

Examiner : Angelica Perez

MAIL STOP AMENDMENT

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Sir:

REPLY UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111

This communication responds to an Office Action dated December 1, 2005, which has a shortened statutory period for reply set to expire on March 1, 2006. A request for a one-month extension of time is being submitted herewith to extend the period for reply to April 1, 2006.

Please amend the application as follows.